This section will contain the final text of the rules proposed by agencies. The order of rulemaking is required to contain a citation to the legal authority upon which the order of rulemaking is based; reference to the date and page or pages where the notice of proposed rulemaking was published in the *Missouri Register*, an explanation of any change between the text of the rule as contained in the notice of proposed rulemaking and the text of the rule as finally adopted, together with the reason for any such change; and the full text of any section or subsection of the rule as adopted which has been changed from that contained in the notice of proposed rulemaking. The effective date of the rule shall be not less than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of the revision to the *Code of State Regulations*.

he agency is also required to make a brief summary of the general nature and extent of comments submitted in support of or opposition to the proposed rule and a concise summary of the testimony presented at the hearing, if any, held in connection with the rulemaking, together with a concise summary of the agency's findings with respect to the merits of any such testimony or comments which are opposed in whole or in part to the proposed rule. The ninety (90)-day period during which an agency shall file its Order of Rulemaking for publication in the Missouri Register begins either: 1) after the hearing on the Proposed Rulemaking is held; or 2) at the end of the time for submission of comments to the agency. During this period, the agency shall file with the secretary of state the order of rulemaking, either putting the proposed rule into effect, with or without further changes, or withdrawing the proposed rule.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 2—Practice and Procedure

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 386.410, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-2.060 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1576–1578). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission did not receive any written comments specifically addressing this proposed amendment, but did receive written comments from one (1) entity pertaining to proposed rules in 4 CSR 240-3 that are related to one (1) portion of this amendment. The comments focused on the use of the term "purchaser" in the subject proposed rules, which is a term that is also used in what is currently section (9) of 4 CSR 240-2.060. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed amendment ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing

on this proposed amendment on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the amendment at that hearing.

COMMENTS: The commenter stated the opinion that it is inappropriate for the commission to use the term "purchaser" in the context of rules in 4 CSR 240-3 pertaining to transactions such as mergers and consolidations, because there is no purchaser in such transactions.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: While reviewing the comments to 4 CSR 240-3, the commission determined that taking action to correct terms as proposed by the commenter, even though technically appropriate, could be considered a substantive change. Because the commission had stated during the rulemaking process that it would make no substantive changes to its current rules, the commission determines that no changes will be made to the current text. The commission will, however, begin a new rulemaking process to address the issue raised by the commenter. The commission has also determined that it is not appropriate to delete section (9) from rule 4 CSR 240-2.060. Therefore, the commission will change the proposed amendment to avoid deletion of section (9) of 4 CSR 240-2.060 in that rule. The commission will also renumber the remaining sections and make reference to the appropriate newly promulgated rules in 4 CSR 240-3 as shown below.

4 CSR 240-2.060 Applications

- (3) If the purchaser under the provisions of 4 CSR 240-3.110, 4 CSR 240-3.115, 4 CSR 240-3.210, 4 CSR 240-3.215, 4 CSR 240-3.310, 4 CSR 240-3.315, 4 CSR 240-3.405, 4 CSR 240-3.410, 4 CSR 240-3.520, 4 CSR 240-3.525, 4 CSR 240-3.605 or 4 CSR 240-3.610 is not subject to the jurisdiction of the commission, but will be subject to the commission's jurisdiction after the sale, the purchaser must comply with these rules.
- (4) In addition to the requirements of section (1), applications for variances or waivers from commission rules and tariff provisions, as well as those statutory provisions which may be waived, shall contain information as follows:
- (A) Specific indication of the statute, rule or tariff from which the variance or waiver is sought;
- (B) The reasons for the proposed variance or waiver and a complete justification setting out the good cause for granting the variance or waiver; and
- (C) The name of any public utility affected by the variance or waiver.
- (5) A name change may be accomplished by filing the items below with a cover letter requesting a change of name. Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, the items required herein may be filed by a nonattorney. Applications for approval of a change of name shall include:
- (A) A statement, clearly setting out both the old name and the new name:
- (B) Evidence of registration of the name change with the Missouri secretary of state; and
- (C) Either an adoption notice and revised tariff title sheet with an effective date which is not fewer than thirty (30) days after the filing date of the application, or revised tariff sheets with an effective date which is not fewer than thirty (30) days after the filing date of the application.
- (6) In addition to the general requirements set forth above, the requirements found in Chapter 3 of the commission's rules pertaining to the filing of various types of applications must also be met.

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 2—Practice and Procedure

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.410, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-2.200 Small Company Rate Increase Procedure is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1578). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.010 General Definitions is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1578–1580). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission did not receive any written comments regarding this proposed rule, but a representative of one (1) entity offered testimony pertaining to the subject of the organization of the various Chapter 3 rules at the public hearing that the commission held regarding the rulemakings related to the development of the commission's new Chapter 3. The testimony offered at the public hearing focused on the definition rules in the new Chapter 3 and how the placement of those rules affected the overall organization of the Chapter 3 rules. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule and the other rulemakings related to the development of Chapter 3 ended on October 16, 2002. The public hearing that the commission held on this proposed rule and the other rulemakings related to the development of Chapter 3 occurred on October 25, 2002.

COMMENT: Other than the testimony offered in support of the Chapter 3 related rulemakings by the staff of the commission at the public hearing, the only other testimony offered was presented by a representative of a local law firm. That same firm also offered substantial written comments regarding the subject rulemakings. In addition to testimony offered in response to questions from the commission regarding the firm's written comments, the firm's representative also raised an issue regarding the organization of the Chapter 3 rules. This testimony generally dealt with the fact that not all of the rules in the various "blocks" of rules in the proposed Chapter 3 were num-

bered consistently from the viewpoint of similar requirements that exist from block to block. Specifically, the firm's representative noted that it would have generally been easier to follow the rules if the first rule in every block covered the same subject. The firm's representative further noted that in all but two (2) instances the first rule in each block was the rule that included the definitions of the terms used in the rules in each block. In response to questions from the commission during the hearing, the commission staff's representative testified that the two (2) "blocks" of rules that did not begin with a definition rule did not need such a rule. The staff's representative testified that the reason for this is that all definitions needed for these blocks of rules (the block's pertaining to steam heating utilities and water utilities) are contained in rule 4 CSR 240-3.010, which is the "general" definition rule in Chapter 3.

RESPONSE: Based upon research conducted by its staff subsequent to the public hearing, the commission understands that the issue regarding the numbering inconsistency raised during the public hearing could be addressed. One way to address this issue would be to add a definition rule to the two (2) blocks of rules that do not currently begin with a definition rule and renumber the other rules in those blocks accordingly. The commission has, however, chosen not to undertake that effort at this time. Rather, the commission will undertake that effort as a part of future rulemaking activities that affect these two (2) blocks of rules. No changes have been made to this proposed rule, or any other proposed rule related to the development of the new Chapter 3, as a result of the comments offered at the public hearing.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.015 Filing Requirements for Utility Company Applications for Waivers or Variances **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1580). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.020 Filing Requirements Regarding Utility Company Name Changes **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002

(27 MoReg 1580). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.025 Utility Company Tariff Filings Which Create Cases is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1580–1581). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.030 Minimum Filing Requirements for Utility Company General Rate Increase Requests is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1581–1582). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.100 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1582–1583). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the inclusion of definitions of terms that are not used in other rules. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted written comments regarding this proposed rule noted in its comments that this rule contains the definitions of certain terms that are not actually used in other rules, and suggested that the definition of any term that is not used in other rules should be removed from this rule. Specifically, the comments suggest that the definitions of terms such as affiliate, affiliated entity, affiliate transaction, avoided costs and control be removed.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The commission notes that it agrees with the suggestion that any unused definitions should be removed from the proposed rule. The commission also notes, however, that the terms affiliate, avoided costs and control are used in other definitions in rule 4 CSR 240-3.100 and/or in rules in the 4 CSR 240-3.105 thru 4 CSR 240-3.190 "block." As a result, the definitions of these terms will not be removed as suggested. Based on the above, the commission is removing any unused definitions from the proposed rule and renumbering the remaining definitions accordingly.

4 CSR 240-3.100 Definitions Pertaining Specifically to Electric Utility Rules

- (2) Appliance or equipment means any device which consumes electric energy and any ancillary device required for its operation.
- (3) Avoided costs means the incremental costs to an electric utility of electric energy or capacity or both which, but for the purchase from the qualifying facility or qualifying facilities, that utility would generate itself or purchase from another source.
- (4) Consideration shall be interpreted in its broadest sense and shall include any cash, donation, gift, allowance, rebate, discount, bonus, merchandise (new or used), property (real or personal), labor, service, conveyance, commitment, right or other thing of value.
- (5) Control (including the terms "controlling," "controlled by," and "common control") means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct, or to cause the direction of the management or policies of an entity, whether such power is exercised through one (1) or more intermediary entities, or alone, or in conjunction with, or pursuant to an agreement with, one (1) or more other entities, whether such power is exercised through a majority or minority ownership or voting of securities, common directors, officers or stockholders, voting trusts, holding trusts, affiliated entities, contract or any other direct or indirect means. The commission shall presume that the beneficial ownership of ten percent (10%) or more of voting securities or partnership interest of an entity constitutes control for purposes of this rule. This provision, however, shall not be construed to prohibit a regulated electrical corporation from rebutting the presumption that its ownership interest in an entity confers control.
- (6) Cost-effective means that the present value of life-cycle benefits is greater than the present value of life-cycle costs to the provider of an energy service.

- (7) Decommissioning means those activities undertaken in connection with a nuclear generating unit's retirement from service to ensure that the final removal, disposal, entombment or other disposition of the unit and of any radioactive components and materials associated with the unit, are accomplished in compliance with all applicable laws, and to ensure that the final disposition does not pose any undue threat to the public health and safety. Decommissioning includes the removal and disposal of the structures, systems and components of a nuclear generating unit at the time of decommissioning.
- (8) Decommissioning costs means all reasonable costs and expenses incurred in connection with decommissioning, including all expenses to be incurred in connection with the preparation for decommissioning, including, but not limited to, engineering and other planning expenses; and to be incurred after the actual decommissioning occurs, including, but not limited to, physical security and radiation monitoring expenses, less proceeds of insurance, salvage or resale of machinery, construction equipment or apparatus the cost of which was charged as a decommissioning expense.
- (9) Demand-side resource means any inefficient energy-related choice that can be influenced cost-effectively by a utility. The meaning of this term shall not be construed to include load-building program.
- (10) Energy service means the need that is served or the benefit that is derived by the ultimate consumer's use of energy.
- (11) Inefficient energy-related choice means any decision that causes the life-cycle cost of providing an energy service to be higher than it would be for an available alternative choice.
- (12) Load-building program means an organized promotional effort by a utility to persuade energy-related decision makers to choose the form of energy supplied by that utility instead of other forms of energy for the provision of energy service or to persuade customers to increase their use of that utility's form of energy, either by substituting it for other forms of energy or by increasing the level or variety of energy services used. This term is not intended to include the provision of technical or engineering assistance, information about filed rates and tariffs or other forms of routine customer service.
- (13) Promotional practices means any consideration offered or granted by an electric utility or its affiliate to any person for the purpose, express or implied, of inducing the person to select and use the service or use additional service of the utility or to select or install any appliance or equipment designed to use the utility service, or for the purpose of influencing the person's choice or specification of the efficiency characteristics of appliances, equipment, buildings, utilization patterns or operating procedures. The term promotional practices shall not include the following activities:
- (A) Making any emergency repairs to appliances or equipment of customers:
- (B) Providing appliances or equipment incidental to demonstrations of sixty (60) days or less in duration;
- (C) Providing light bulbs, street or outdoor lighting service, wiring, service pipe or other service equipment or appliances, in accordance with tariffs filed with and approved by the commission;
- (D) Providing appliances or equipment to an educational institution for the purpose of instructing students in the use of the appliances or equipment;
- (E) Merchandising appliances or equipment at retail and, in connection therewith, the holding of inventories, making and fulfillment of reasonable warranties against defects in material and workmanship existing at the time of delivery and financing; provided that the merchandising shall not violate any prohibition contained in 4 CSR 240-14.020:

- (F) Inspecting and adjusting of appliances or equipment by an electric utility;
- (G) Repairing and other maintenance to appliances or equipment by an electric utility if charges are at cost or above;
- (H) Providing free or below-cost energy audits or other information or analysis regarding the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of improvements in the efficiency characteristics of appliances, equipment, buildings, utilization patterns or operating procedures;
- (I) Offering to present or prospective customers by an electric utility technical or engineering assistance; and
- (J) Advertising or publicity by an electric utility which is under its name and on its behalf and which does not in any manner, directly or indirectly, identify, describe, refer to, mention or relate to any architect, builder, engineer, subdivider, developer or other similar person, or which mentions no less than three (3) existing projects, developments or subdivisions.
- (14) Purchase means the purchase of electric energy or capacity or both from a qualifying facility by an electric utility.
- (15) Qualifying facility means a cogeneration facility or a small power production facility which is a qualifying facility under Subpart B of Part 292 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) regulations.
- (16) Sale means the sale of electric energy or capacity or both by an electric utility to a qualifying facility.

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.105 Filing Requirements for Electric Utility Applications for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1583–1584). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the inclusion of the term "gas transmission lines" in one (1) section of the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule stated that the inclusion of the term "gas transmission lines" in subsection (1)(B) is an apparent mistake as this rule applies to electric utility applications for certificates of convenience and necessity, and that certificate application requirements related to gas transmission lines are covered in the corresponding rule related to gas utilities (4 CSR 240-3.205).

RESPONSE: The commission acknowledges that the requirements related to gas utility certificates of convenience and necessity are contained in 4 CSR 240-3.205 as is noted in the comments. The

commission also notes, however, that it could be necessary for an electric utility to construct gas transmission lines, and thus necessary for the electric utility to obtain a certificate of convenience and necessity for such lines. It is for this reason that the term "gas transmission lines" is included in this rule. Based on the above, no changes have been made to the proposed rule as a result of these comments.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.110 Filing Requirements for Electric Utility
Applications for Authority to Sell, Assign, Lease or Transfer Assets
is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1584). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.115 Filing Requirements for Electric Utility Applications for Authority to Merge or Consolidate **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1584–1585). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the use of the term "purchaser" in one (1) section of the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule stated the opinion that it is inappropriate for the commission to use the term "purchaser" in this rule, since the rule pertains to utility mergers and consolidations and there is no "purchaser" in such situations.

RESPONSE: The commission notes that the use of the referenced term comes from an existing rule related to this topic, and that in the interest of not making changes that could be considered substantive when comparing the existing rule and this proposed rule, the term "purchaser" was used in the proposed rule. While the commission agrees with the gist of the comments, it continues to be concerned that any changes to the subject language in the proposed rule could be considered substantive. Based on the foregoing, the commission is not making any changes to the proposed rule at this time.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.120 Filing Requirements for Electric Utility Applications for Authority to Issue Stock, Bonds, Notes and Other Evidences of Indebtedness is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1585). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240—Public Service Commission

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.125 Filing Requirements for Electric Utility Applications for Authority to Acquire the Stock of a Public Utility is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1585–1586). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250, 386.800 and 394.312, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.130 Filing Requirements for Applications for Approval of Electric Service Territorial Agreements is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1586). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250, 386.800 and 394.312, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.135 Schedule of Fees Applicable to Applications for Approval of Electric Service Territorial Agreements, Petitions for Designation of Electric Service Areas and Applications for Resolution of Annexation-Related Disputes **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1586–1587). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR **240-3.140** Filing Requirements for Applications for Authority for a Change of Electrical Suppliers **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1587–1588). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.145 Filing Requirements for Electric Utility Rate Schedules is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1588–1591). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.150 Filing Requirements for Electric Utility Promotional Practices is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1591–1592). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.155 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1592–1593). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on an apparent incorrect reference in the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule noted that an apparent error had been made in an internal rule reference contained in paragraph (5)(A)1. of the rule, and suggested that the reference to section (2) therein should be a reference to section (4).

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The comments correctly point out an error in the proposed rule and the commission is modifying paragraph (5)(A)1. of the proposed rule to correct that error. Additionally, the commission has identified an improper reference in subsection (5)(A) of the proposed rule and is also correcting that error.

4 CSR 240-3.155 Requirements for Electric Utility Cogeneration Tariff Filings

- (5) Special Rule for Small Electric Utilities.
- (A) Each electric utility (other than any electric utility to which paragraph (5)(A)2. applies) upon request shall—
- 1. Provide comparable data to that required under section (4) to enable qualifying facilities to estimate the electric utility's avoided costs for periods described in section (4); or
- 2. With regard to an electric utility which is legally obligated to obtain all its requirements for electric energy and capacity from another electric utility, provide the data of its supplying utility and the rates at which it currently purchases the energy and capacity.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.160 Filing Requirements for Electric Utility General Rate Increase Requests is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1593). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the title of the rule and a possible duplication of language in regard to another rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule addressed two (2) issues regarding the rule. First, the comments suggested that a better title for this rule could be found and/or that the requirements of this rule could be combined with the requirements of rule 4 CSR 240-3.030, which deals with the same general topic of filing requirements pertaining to general rate increases. The comments noted that the Purpose section of this rule contains a cross-reference to rule 4 CSR 240-3.030, but that this is not believed sufficient. Second, the comments noted that there might be an unnecessary duplication of language in this rule and in rule 4 CSR 240-3.175.

RESPONSE: Regarding the title of this rule and the rule's relationship to rule 4 CSR 240-3.030, the commission notes that rule 4 CSR 240-3.030 contains filing requirements that apply to all regulated utilities and that this rule contains additional requirements that apply only to electric utilities. Accordingly, the commission believes that the title of this rule is appropriate and that the combination of this

rule and 4 CSR 240-3.030 would not be appropriate. The commission also notes that rule 4 CSR 240-3.030 contains a cross-reference to this rule and that there should thus not be any confusion as to what is required of a utility that is filing a general rate increase request. Additionally, the commission notes that the title of this rule was selected in anticipation of additional requirements being added to this rule at a later date through an additional rulemaking. Regarding the possible duplication of language in this rule and rule 4 CSR 240-3.175, the commission notes that while these two (2) rules deal with similar subjects, they deal with different situations and thus the referenced language is necessary in both rules. Based on the above, no changes have been made to the proposed rules as a result of these comments.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.165 Annual Report Filing Requirements for Electric Utilities is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1593–1594). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.175 Submission Requirements for Electric Utility Depreciation Studies is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1594). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on a possible duplication of language in regard to another rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments on this proposed rule noted that there may be an unnecessary duplication of language in this rule and in rule 4 CSR 240-3.160.

RESPONSE: The commission notes that while these two (2) rules deal with similar subjects, they deal with different situations and thus the referenced language is necessary in both rules. Based on this, no changes have been made to the proposed rule as a result of these comments.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.180 Submission of Electric Utility Residential Heat-Related Service Cold Weather Report is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1594–1595). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.292, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR **240-3.185** Submission of Reports Pertaining to the Decommissioning of Electric Utility Plants **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1595–1596). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.190 Electric Utility Reporting Requirements is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1596–1597). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the addition of the term "electronic communication" in one section of the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule noted the addition of "electronic communication" as an acceptable means of reporting certain events to the commission, commended the commission for this addition and stated its understanding that this term encompasses both facsimile and e-mail. RESPONSE: The commission notes that the term "electronic communication" encompasses not only facsimile transmissions and e-mail messages, but also includes submissions made via the commission's electronic filing and information system. No changes have been made to the proposed rule as a result of these comments.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.200 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1597–1599). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from two (2) entities regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the inclusions of definitions for terms that are not used in other rules. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The first entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule noted that the rule contains the definitions of certain terms used in rules 4 CSR 240-3.205 thru 4 CSR 240-3.295, but that five (5) of the terms defined in this rule are not actually used in those rules. Because of this, it was suggested that any terms not used in rules 4 CSR 240-3.205 thru 4 CSR 240-3.295 should be removed from this rule to avoid confusion. Specifically, the comments suggested that the following definitions should be removed from the proposed rule: (1) Affiliate; (2) Affiliated entity; (3) Affiliate transaction; (6) Control; and (20) Transportation of gas.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The commission notes that it agrees with the suggestion that any unused definitions should be removed from the proposed rule. The commission also notes, however, that the terms affiliate, control and transportation of gas are used in other definitions in rule 4 CSR 240-3.200 and/or in certain rules in the 4 CSR 240-3.205 thru 4 CSR 240-3.295 "block" of rules. As a result, the definitions of those terms will not be removed as suggested. Based on the above, the commission is removing the unused definitions from the proposed rule and renumbering the remaining definitions accordingly.

COMMENT: The second entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule noted that the rule contains the definitions of certain terms that are not actually used in other rules, and suggested that the definition of any term that is not used in other rules should be removed from this rule. Specifically, the comments suggested that the definitions of terms such as affiliate, affiliated entity, affiliate transaction and control be removed.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The commission notes that it agrees with the suggestion that any unused definitions should be removed from the proposed rule. The commission also notes, however, that the terms affiliate and control are used in other definitions in rule 4 CSR 240-3.200 and/or in certain rules in the 4 CSR 240-3.205 thru 4 CSR 240-3.295 "block" of rules. As a result, the definitions of those terms will not be removed as suggested. Based on the above, the commission is removing the unused definitions from the proposed rule and renumbering the remaining definitions accordingly.

4 CSR 240-3.200 Definitions Pertaining Specifically to Gas Utility Rules

- (2) Appliance or equipment means any device which consumes gas energy and any ancillary device required for its operation.
- (3) Consideration shall be interpreted in its broadest sense and shall include any cash, donation, gift, allowance, rebate, discount, bonus, merchandise (new or used), property (real or personal), labor, service, conveyance, commitment, right or other thing of value.
- (4) Control (including the terms "controlling," "controlled by," and "common control") means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct, or to cause the direction of the management or policies of an entity, whether such power is exercised through one (1) or more intermediary entities, or alone, or in conjunction with, or pursuant to an agreement with, one (1) or more other entities, whether such power is exercised through a majority or minority ownership or voting of securities, common directors, officers or stockholders, voting trusts, holding trusts, affiliated entities, contract or any other direct or indirect means. The commission shall presume that the beneficial ownership of ten percent (10%) or more of voting securities or partnership interest of an entity constitutes control for purposes of this rule. This provision, however, shall not be construed to prohibit a regulated gas corporation from rebutting the presumption that its ownership interest in an entity confers control.
- (5) Cost-effective means that the present value of life-cycle benefits is greater than the present value of life-cycle costs to the provider of an energy service.
- (6) Demand-side resource means any inefficient energy-related choice that can be influenced cost-effectively by a utility. The meaning of this term shall not be construed to include load-building program.
- (7) Designated commission personnel means the commission's Pipeline Safety Program Manager at the address contained in 4 CSR 240-40.020(5) for written reports and the list of staff personnel sup-

- plied to the operators for telephonic notices, both as are required by 4 CSR 240-40.020.
- (8) Gas means natural gas, flammable gas, manufactured gas or gas which is toxic or corrosive.
- (9) Gas seller means any person who uses, leases, or controls the distribution system of a distributor or a political subdivision or any part thereof to sell energy services at retail within a political subdivision, other than a distributor or a political subdivision.
- (10) Inefficient energy-related choice means any decision that causes the life-cycle cost of providing an energy service to be higher than it would be for an available alternative choice.
- (11) Load-building program means an organized promotional effort by a utility to persuade energy-related decision makers to choose the form of energy supplied by that utility instead of other forms of energy for the provision of energy service or to persuade customers to increase their use of that utility's form of energy, either by substituting it for other forms of energy or by increasing the level or variety of energy services used. This term is not intended to include the provision of technical or engineering assistance, information about filed rates and tariffs or other forms of routine customer service.
- (12) Operator means a person who engages in the transportation of gas.
- (13) Pipeline or pipeline system means all parts of those physical facilities through which gas moves in transportation including, but not limited to, pipe, valves and other appurtenances attached to pipe, compressor units, metering stations, regulator stations, delivery stations, holders and fabricated assemblies.
- (14) Pipeline facility means new and existing pipeline, rights-of-way and any equipment, facility or building used in the transportation of gas or in the treatment of gas during the course of transportation.
- (15) Promotional practices means any consideration offered or granted by a gas utility or its affiliate to any person for the purpose, express or implied, of inducing the person to select and use the service or use additional service of the utility or to select or install any appliance or equipment designed to use the utility service, or for the purpose of influencing the person's choice or specification of the efficiency characteristics of appliances, equipment, buildings, utilization patterns or operating procedures. The term promotional practices shall not include the following activities:
- (A) Making any emergency repairs to appliances or equipment of customers;
- (B) Providing appliances or equipment incidental to demonstrations of sixty (60) days or less in duration;
- (C) Providing light bulbs, street or outdoor lighting service, wiring, service pipe or other service equipment or appliances, in accordance with tariffs filed with and approved by the commission;
- (D) Providing appliances or equipment to an educational institution for the purpose of instructing students in the use of the appliances or equipment;
- (E) Merchandising appliances or equipment at retail and, in connection therewith, the holding of inventories, making and fulfillment of reasonable warranties against defects in material and workmanship existing at the time of delivery and financing; provided that the merchandising shall not violate any prohibition contained in 4 CSR 240-14.020;
- (F) Inspecting and adjusting of appliances or equipment by a gas utility;
- (G) Repairing and other maintenance to appliances or equipment by a gas utility if charges are at cost or above;
- (H) Providing free or below-cost energy audits or other information or analysis regarding the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of

improvements in the efficiency characteristics of appliances, equipment, buildings, utilization patterns or operating procedures;

- (I) Offering to present or prospective customers by a gas utility technical or engineering assistance; and
- (J) Advertising or publicity by a gas utility which is under its name and on its behalf and which does not in any manner, directly or indirectly, identify, describe, refer to, mention or relate to any architect, builder, engineer, subdivider, developer or other similar person, or which mentions no less than three (3) existing projects, developments or subdivisions.
- (16) Service line means a distribution line that transports gas from a common source of supply to a) a customer meter or the connection to a customer's piping, whichever is farther downstream, or b) the connection to a customer's piping if there is no customer meter. A customer meter is the meter that measures the transfer of gas from an operator to a consumer.
- (17) Transmission line means a pipeline, other than a gathering line, that:
- (A) Transports gas from a gathering line or storage facility to a distribution center, storage facility, or large volume customer that is not downstream from a distribution center (A large volume customer may receive similar volumes of gas as a distribution center, and includes factories, power plants, and institutional users of gas);
- (B) Operates at a hoop stress of twenty percent (20%) or more of specified minimum yield strength (SMYS); or
 - (C) Transports gas within a storage field.
- (18) Transportation of gas means the receipt of gas at one point on a regulated gas corporation's system and the redelivery of an equivalent volume of gas to the retail customer of the gas at another point on the regulated gas corporation's system including, without limitation, scheduling, balancing, peaking, storage, and exchange to the extent such services are provided pursuant to the regulated gas corporation's tariff, and includes opportunity sales.
- (19) Yard line means an underground fuel line that transports gas from the service line to the customer's building. If multiple buildings are being served, building shall mean the building nearest to the connection to the service line. For purposes of this definition, if aboveground fuel line piping at the meter location is located within five feet (5') of a building being served by that meter, it shall be considered to the customer's building and no yard line exists. At meter locations where aboveground fuel line piping is located greater than five feet (5') from the building(s) being served, the underground fuel line from the meter to the entrance into the nearest building served by that meter shall be considered the yard line and any other lines are not considered yard lines.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.205 Filing Requirements for Gas Utility Applications for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1599–1600). No changes have been made in the text of

the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.210 Filing Requirements for Gas Utility Applications for Authority to Sell, Assign, Lease or Transfer Assets **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1600). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR **240-3.215** Filing Requirements for Gas Utility Applications for Authority to Merge or Consolidate **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1600–1601). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the use of the term "purchaser" in one (1) section of the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule stated the opinion that it is inappropriate for the commission to use the term "purchaser" in this rule, since the rule pertains to utility mergers and consolidations and there is no "purchaser" in such situations.

RESPONSE: The commission notes that the use of the referenced term comes from an existing rule related to this topic, and that in the interest of not making changes that could be considered substantive when comparing the existing rule and this proposed rule, the term "purchaser" was used in the proposed rule. While the commission agrees with the gist of the comments, it continues to be concerned that any changes to the subject language in the proposed rule could be considered substantive. Based on the foregoing, the commission is not making any changes to the proposed rule at this time.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 24—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.220 Filing Requirements for Gas Utility
Applications for Authority to Issue Stock, Bonds, Notes and Other
Evidences of Indebtedness is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1601). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.225 Filing Requirements for Gas Utility Applications for Authority to Acquire the Stock of a Public Utility is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1601–1602). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.230 Filing Requirements for Gas Storage Companies Requesting the Authority to Acquire Property Through Eminent Domain Proceedings is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1602). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.235 Filing Requirements for Gas Utility General Rate Increase Requests is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1602–1603). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the title of the rule and a possible duplication of language in regard to another rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule addressed two (2) issues regarding the rule. First, the comments suggested that a better title for this rule could be found and/or that the requirements of this rule could be combined with the requirements of rule 4 CSR 240-3.030, which deals with the same general topic of filing requirements pertaining to general rate increases. The comments noted that the purpose section of this rule contains a cross-reference to rule 4 CSR 240-3.030, but that this is not believed sufficient. Second, the comments noted that there might be an unnecessary duplication of language in this rule and in rule 4 CSR 240-3.275.

RESPONSE: Regarding the title of this rule and the rule's relationship to rule 4 CSR 240-3.030, the commission notes that rule 4 CSR 240-3.030 contains filing requirements that apply to all regulated utilities and that this rule contains additional requirements that apply only to gas utilities. Accordingly, the commission believes that the title of this rule is appropriate and that the combination of this rule and 4 CSR 240-3.030 would not be appropriate. The commission also notes that rule 4 CSR 240-3.030 contains a cross-reference to this rule and that there should thus not be any confusion as to what is required of a utility that is filing a general rate increase request. Additionally, the commission notes that the title of this rule was selected in anticipation of additional requirements being added to this rule at a later date through an additional rulemaking. Regarding the possible duplication of language in this rule and rule 4 CSR 240-3.275, the commission

notes that while these two (2) rules deal with similar subjects, they deal with different situations and thus the referenced language is necessary in both rules. Based on the above, no changes have been made to the proposed rule as a result of these comments.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.240 Gas Utility Small Company Rate Increase Procedure is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1603–1604). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.245 Annual Report Filing Requirements for Gas Utilities **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1604). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.250 Submission of Gas Utility Residential Heat-Related Service Cold Weather Report is **adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1604–1605). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4-DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.255 Filing Requirements for Gas Utility Promotional Practices **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1605). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.260 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1606). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on an apparent typographical error in the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule pointed out an apparent typographical error in section (3) of the proposed rule, regarding the omission of an underscore at the end of the fifth sentence of this section.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The commission agrees that the noted typographical error exists and is modifying section (3) of the proposed rule accordingly.

4 CSR 240-3.260 Filing Requirements for Gas Utility Rate Schedules

(3) Rate schedules shall be drawn up substantially in accordance with Form No. 14 and shall be plainly printed or typewritten on good quality of paper of size eight and one-half inches by eleven inches $(8\ 1/2" \times 11")$ in book, sheet or pamphlet form. A loose-leaf plan may be used so changes can be made by reprinting and inserting a single leaf. When the loose-leaf plan is used, all sheets, except the title page sheet, must show in the marginal space at the top of the page the name of the gas corporation issuing, the PSC number of schedule and the number of the page. In the marginal space at the bottom of sheet should be shown—the date of issue, the effective date and the name, title and address of the officer by whom the schedule is issued. All schedules shall bear a number with the prefix PSC . Schedules shall be numbered in consecutive serial order beginning with number 1 for each gas corporation. If a schedule or part of a schedule is cancelled, a new schedule or part thereof (sheet(s) if loose-leaf) will refer to the schedule canceled by its PSC number; thus: PSC Mo. No. ____ canceling PSC Mo. No. _

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.270 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1606–1607). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from two (2) entities regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the issue of whether this rule is a "reference" or "signpost" rule or whether it imposes requirements not currently found in the commission's rules. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The first entity that submitted comments on this proposed rule noted that the rule appears to be a "reference" rule that merely refers the reader to other rules. Accordingly, that entity also requested that the commission confirm that the language in this rule does not place independent obligations on gas corporations outside of the obligations contained in the rules to which reference is made. RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The commission confirms that this proposed rule is a "reference" rule that is only intended to refer the reader to other rules, and confirms that this rule does not place independent obligations on gas corporations outside of the obligations contained in the rules to which reference is made. Additionally, the commission is making changes to the proposed rule to clarify its intent.

COMMENT: The second entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule submitted comments that are best summarized in several parts as follows. (1) The comments note that it is not clear whether the commission intended to make substantive changes in this proposed rule, and that there is nothing in the Purpose section of the rule to indicate that new requirements are being imposed. (2) The comments note that a concern about the proposed rule comes from the use of the phrase "must be submitted to commission personnel" in several sections of the rule, which is considered to be a new and vague provision. The comments further state that the definition of the term "designated commission personnel" found in 4 CSR 240-3.200(9) is a new definition. (3) The comments note that the proposed rule does not state when any of the required submissions must be made, only that it requires them to be made. (4) The comments note that the proposed rule was apparently intended as a "signpost" for several requirements in another existing rule, 4 CSR 240-40.030. (5) Regarding the comments summarized in items (1) thru (4) above, the comments suggest that the commission change the proposed rule to include a reference where a reader of the rules should go to find the actual submission requirements, as has been done in other instances in other proposed rules. (6) Lastly, the comments note an apparent typographical error in section (10) of the proposed rule, in that the term "yard line" should be "yard lines."

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The commission's response to the above comments will be offered for each group of comments set out above. (1) In response to these comments, the commission notes that there was no intention to make substantive changes to existing requirements by promulgating this rule, and affirmatively states that no new requirements will be imposed by this rule going into effect. (2) In response to these comments, the commission notes that the phrase "must be submitted to commission personnel" is a phrase that is currently used in commission rules pertaining to the subject matter of the proposed rule. Additionally, the commission notes that the term "designated commission personnel" is a term that is already defined in commission rules pertaining to the subject matter of the proposed rule. Specifically, the subject phrase and term are used/included in certain sections of 4 CSR 240-40.030. (3) The commission acknowledges that the proposed rule does not contain any specific information regarding when the required submissions must be made, but notes that the timing of the submissions is contained in the rules referenced in the general section of the proposed rule. (4) The commission notes that the proposed rule is intended as a "signpost" to various requirements in 4 CSR 240-40.030. The commission further notes that it believes it is appropriate to include such a signpost in this rule, in that its intent in developing Chapter 3 is to include in Chapter 3 at least a reference to all filing and submission requirements contained in other commission rules. (5) The commission agrees that certain changes to the proposed rule would help clarify where a reader should go to find the actual submission requirements that are the subject of the proposed rule. (6) The commission notes that the comments submitted are accurate and will correct the referenced typographical error. Based on the foregoing, the commission is modifying the title of and Purpose statement for the proposed rule and reorganizing the rule to clarify its "signpost" intent, and is also correcting the noted typographical error.

4 CSR 240-3.270 Submission Requirements Regarding Plans, Procedures and Programs for the Transportation of Natural Gas by Pipeline

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the plans, procedures and programs related to the transportation of natural gas by pipelines, which are to be submitted to designated commission personnel under various provisions of 4 CSR 240-40.

(1) General. All gas systems under the pipeline safety jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission must establish and submit welding procedures, joining procedures and construction specifications and standards to designated commission personnel before construction activities begin. All other plans, procedures and programs required by rules 4 CSR 240-40.020, 4 CSR 240-40.030, and 4 CSR

240-40.080 must be established and submitted to designated commission personnel before the system is put into operation.

- (2) The plans, procedures and programs listed in subsections (A)–(H) below must be submitted to designated commission personnel in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(1)(J) and maintained and modified in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(1)(G).
- (A) Written welding procedures in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(5);
- (B) Written procedures for joining pipelines other than by welding in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(6)(B) and (6)(G);
- (C) Written procedures for controlling corrosion in accordance with the operation and maintenance requirements contained in 4 CSR 240-40.030(9) in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(9)(C);
- (D) A manual of written procedures for conducting operations and maintenance activities and for emergency response in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(12)(C). Transmission lines that are not exempt under 4 CSR 240-40.030(12)(C)3.E. must also submit a manual that includes procedures for handling abnormal operations in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(12)(C)3.;
- (E) A written operator qualification program for individuals performing covered tasks on a pipeline facility in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(12)(D);
- (F) A written program to prevent damage to pipelines by excavation activities in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(12)(I)1.;
- (G) Written procedures to minimize the hazard resulting from a gas pipeline emergency in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(12)(J)1.; and
- (H) Written programs for the replacement of unprotected steel service lines and yard lines and cast iron mains and the cathodic protection or replacement of unprotected steel mains in accordance with 4 CSR 240-40.030(15)(B).

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.275 Submission Requirements for Gas Utility Depreciation Studies is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1607–1608). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on a possible duplication of language in regard to another rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule noted that there may be an unnecessary duplication of language in this rule and in rule 4 CSR 240-3.235.

RESPONSE: The commission notes that while these two (2) rules deal with similar subjects, they deal with different situations and thus the referenced language is necessary in both rules. Based on this, no

changes have been made to the proposed rule as a result of these comments

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.280 Submission Requirements Regarding Gas Utility Written Drug and Alcohol Testing Plans **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1608). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on whether this rule places additional obligations on gas corporations or whether it is simply a reference to other commission rules. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule noted that the rule appears to be a "reference" rule that merely refers the reader to other rules, and requested that the commission confirm that the language in this rule does not place independent obligations on gas corporations outside of the obligations contained in the rules to which reference is made.

RESPONSE: The commission confirms that this proposed rule is a "reference" rule that is only intended to refer the reader to other rules, and confirms that this rule does not place independent obligations on gas corporations outside of the obligations contained in the rules to which reference is made. Based on the above, no changes have been made to the proposed rule as a result of these comments.

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Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.299, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.285 Filing Requirements Regarding Certification of Gas Sellers **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1608–1609). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.290 Submission Requirements Regarding Gas Utility Incident, Annual and Safety-Related Condition Reports is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1609). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on whether this rule places additional obligations on gas corporations or whether it is simply a reference to other commission rules. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule noted that the rule appears to be a "reference" rule that merely refers the reader to other rules, and requested that the commission confirm that the language in this rule does not place independent obligations on gas corporations outside of the obligations contained in the rules to which reference is made.

RESPONSE: The commission confirms that this proposed rule is a "reference" rule that is only intended to refer the reader to other rules, and confirms that this rule does not place independent obligations on gas corporations outside of the obligations contained in the rules to which reference is made. Based on the above, no changes have been made to the proposed rules as a result of these comments.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.295 Submission Requirements Regarding Gas Utility Written Procedures for Conversion of Service and Uprating **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1609–1610). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on whether this rule places additional obligations on gas corporations or whether it is simply a reference to other commission rules. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule noted that the rule appears to be a "reference" rule that merely refers the reader to other rules, and requested that the commission confirm that the language in this rule does not place independent obligations on gas corporations outside of the obligations contained in the rules to which reference is made.

RESPONSE: The commission confirms that this proposed rule is a "reference" rule that is only intended to refer the reader to other rules, and confirms that this rule does not place independent obligations on gas corporations outside of the obligations contained in the rules to which reference is made. Based on the above, no changes have been made to the proposed rule as a result of these comments.

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Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.300 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1610). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on whether additional definitions need to be included in this rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule noted that certain definitions pertaining to sewer utilities, which are found in commission rule 4 CSR 240-60.010(3), are not included in this rule or in rule 4 CSR 240-3.010 (the general definition rule for Chapter 3 that is referenced in this rule) and suggested that such definitions should at least be referenced in this rule.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The commission acknowledges that certain definitions contained in 4 CSR 240-60.010(3) are not duplicated in this rule or in rule 4 CSR 240-3.010, but notes that only one (1) of those definitions is used in the Chapter 3 rules (the definition of sewage). As a result, it is not necessary to reference rule 4 CSR 240-60.010(3) in its entirety, but it is necessary to add the missing definition. Based on the above, the commission is modifying the proposed rule by adding the definition of "sewage" found in rule 4 CSR 240-60.010(3) to this rule and renumbering the sections of this rule accordingly.

4 CSR 240-3.300 Definitions Pertaining Specifically to Sewer Utility Rules

- (2) Sewage means ground garbage, human and animal excretions and all other liquid waste normally disposed of by a residential, commercial or industrial establishment, through the sanitary sewer system.
- (3) Sewer service means the removal and treatment of sewage.
- (4) Sewer system includes all pipes, pumps, canals, lagoons, plants, structures and appliances and all other real estate, fixtures and personal property, owned, operated, controlled or managed in connection with or to facilitate the collection, carriage, treatment and disposal of sewage for municipal, domestic or other beneficial or necessary purpose.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.305 Filing Requirements for Sewer Utility Applications for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1610–1611). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.310 Filing Requirements for Sewer Utility Applications for Authority to Sell, Assign, Lease or Transfer Assets **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1611). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR **240-3.315** Filing Requirements for Sewer Utility Applications for Authority to Merge or Consolidate is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1611–1612). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the use of the term "purchaser" in one (1) section of the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule stated the opinion that it is inappropriate for the commission to use the term "purchaser" in this rule, since the rule pertains to utility mergers and consolidations and there is no "purchaser" in such situations.

RESPONSE: The commission notes that the use of the referenced term comes from an existing rule related to this topic, and that in the interest of not making changes that could be considered substantive when comparing the existing rule and this proposed rule, the term "purchaser" was used in the proposed rule. While the commission agrees with the gist of the comments, it continues to be concerned that any changes to the subject language in the proposed rule could be considered substantive.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.040, 386.250, 386.310 and 392.200, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.320 Filing Requirements for Sewer Utility
Applications for Authority to Issue Stock, Bonds, Notes and Other
Evidences of Indebtedness is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1612). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.325 Filing Requirements for Sewer Utility Applications for Authority to Acquire the Stock of a Public Utility is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1612–1613). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.330 Sewer Utility Small Company Rate Increase Procedure is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1613–1614). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.335 Annual Report Filing Requirements for Sewer Utilities is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1614). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.340 Filing Requirements for Sewer Utility Tariff Schedules is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1614–1616). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.400 Filing Requirements for Steam Heating Utility Applications for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1616–1617). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the inclusion of the term "electrical transmission lines" and "electrical production facilities" in the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule stated that the inclusion of the terms "electrical transmission lines" and "electrical production facilities" in subsection (1)(B) is an apparent mistake as this rule applies to steam heating utility applications for certificates of convenience and necessity, and that certificate application requirements related to electrical transmission lines and electrical production facilities are covered in the corresponding rule related to electric utilities (4 CSR 240-3.105).

RESPONSE: The commission acknowledges that the requirements related to electric utility certificates of convenience and necessity are contained in 4 CSR 240-3.105 as is noted in the comments. The commission also notes, however, that it could be necessary for a steam heating utility to construct electric transmission lines or electrical production facilities, and thus necessary for the steam heating utility

to obtain a certificate of convenience and necessity for such lines. It is for this reason that the terms "electrical transmission lines" and "electrical production facilities" are included in this rule. Based on the above, no changes have been made to the proposed rule as a result of these comments.

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Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.405 Filing Requirements for Steam Heating Utility Applications for Authority to Sell, Assign, Lease or Transfer Assets **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1617). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.410 Filing Requirements for Steam Heating Utility Applications for Authority to Merge or Consolidate **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1617–1618). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the use of the term "purchaser" in one (1) section of the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The comments state that it is inappropriate for the commission to use the term "purchaser" in this rule, since the rule pertains to utility mergers and consolidations and there is no "purchaser" in such situations.

RESPONSE: The commission notes that the use of the referenced term comes from an existing rule related to this topic, and that in the interest of not making changes that could be considered substantive when comparing the existing rule and this proposed rule, the term

"purchaser" was used in the proposed rule. While the commission agrees with the gist of the comments, it continues to be concerned that any changes to the subject language in the proposed rule could be considered substantive. Based on the foregoing, the commission is not making any changes to the proposed rule at this time.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.415 Filing Requirements for Steam Heating Utility Applications for Authority to Issue Stock, Bonds, Notes and Other Evidences of Indebtedness **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1618). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.420 Filing Requirements for Steam Heating Utility Applications for Authority to Acquire the Stock of a Public Utility is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1618–1619). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

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Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250, 393.140 and 393.290, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.425 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1619–1620). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on an apparent typographical error in the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule pointed out an apparent typographical error in section (3) of the proposed rule, regarding the omission of an underscore at the end of the fifth sentence of this section.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The commission agrees that the noted typographical error exists, and also notes that two similar typographical errors exist in the last sentence of the referenced section. Accordingly, the commission is modifying section (3) of the proposed rule.

4 CSR 240-3.425 Filing Requirements for Steam Heating Utility Rate Schedules

(3) Rate schedules shall be drawn up substantially in accordance with PSC Form No. 16 and shall be plainly printed or typewritten on good quality of paper of size eight and one-half inches by eleven inches (8 $1/2" \times 11"$) in book, sheet or pamphlet form. A loose-leaf plan may be used so changes can be made by reprinting and inserting a single leaf. When the loose-leaf plan is used, all sheets, except the title page sheet, must show, in the marginal space at top of page, the name of the heating company, the PSC number of the schedule and the number of the page. In the marginal space at the bottom of the sheet shall be shown the date of issue, effective date and the name, title and address of the officer by whom the schedule is issued. All schedules shall bear a number with the prefix PSC Mo. . Schedules shall be numbered in consecutive serial order beginning with number 1 for each steam heating company. If a schedule or a part is canceled, a new schedule or part (sheet(s) if loose-leaf) will refer to the schedule canceled by its PSC number; thus, PSC Mo. No. canceling PSC Mo. No. _____.

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ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250, 393.140 and 393.290, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.435 Annual Report Filing Requirements for Steam Heating Utilities is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1620). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.500 Definitions Pertaining Specifically to Telecommunication Company Rules **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1620–1621). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.505 Filing Requirements for Telecommunications Company Applications for Certificates of Interexchange Service Authority to Provide Customer-Owned Coin Telephone Service is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1621). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.510 Filing Requirements for Telecommunications Company Applications for Certificates of Service Authority to Provide Telecommunications Services, Whether Interexchange, Local Exchange or Basic Local Exchange **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1621–1622). No changes have been made in the text of

the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.515 Filing Requirements for Telecommunications Company Applications for Certificates of Service Authority to Provide Shared Tenant Services **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1622). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.520 Filing Requirements for Telecommunications Company Applications for Authority to Sell, Assign, Lease or Transfer Assets **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1622–1623). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.525 Filing Requirements for Telecommunications Company Applications for Authority to Merge or Consolidate is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1623–1624). No changes have been made to the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the use of the term "purchaser" in one (1) section of the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule stated the opinion that it is inappropriate for the commission to use the term "purchaser" in this rule, since the rule pertains to utility mergers and consolidations and there is no "purchaser" in such situations.

RESPONSE: The commission notes that the use of the referenced term comes from an existing rule related to this topic, and that in the interest of not making changes that could be considered substantive when comparing the existing rule and this proposed rule, the term "purchaser" was used in the proposed rule. While the commission agrees with the gist of the comments, it continues to be concerned that any changes to the subject language in the proposed rule could be considered substantive. Based on the foregoing, the commission is not making any changes to the proposed rule at this time.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.530 Filing Requirements for Telecommunications Company Applications for Authority to Issue Stock, Bonds, Notes and Other Evidences of Indebtedness is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1624). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.535 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1624–1625). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on an exemption in the rule that applies to competitive telecommunications companies. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule objected to the inclusion of language that would exempt competitive telecommunications companies from the obligations of this rule, and contended that the inclusion of such language is tantamount to a "substantive" change to the relevant existing obligations. The comments also set forth the rationale for the basis of the stated objection and contention.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Upon consideration of the comments, the commission agrees that the language exempting competitive telecommunications companies from the obligations of this rule should not be included in the rule at this time. As a result, the commission is modifying the proposed rule by removing section (1) of the rule and renumbering the remaining sections accordingly.

4 CSR 240-3.535 Filing Requirements for Telecommunications Company Applications for Authority to Acquire the Stock of a Public Utility

- (1) In addition to the requirements of 4 CSR 240-2.060(1), applications for authority to acquire the stock of a public utility shall include:
- (A) A statement of the offer to purchase stock of the public utility or a copy of any agreement entered with shareholders to purchase stock;
- (B) A certified copy of the resolution of the directors of applicant authorizing the acquisition of the stock; and
- (C) Reasons why the proposed acquisition of the stock of the public utility is not detrimental to the public interest.
- (2) If any of the items required under this rule are unavailable at the time the application is filed, they shall be furnished prior to the granting of the authority sought.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 392.210, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.540 Annual Report Filing Requirements for Telecommunications Companies is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1625). No changes have been made in the text of the pro-

posed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 392.220, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.545 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1625–1630). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the issue of waivers previously granted for the requirements of the rule under different rule numbers. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule requested that the commission confirm in its order of rule-making that waivers previously granted for 4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C), a rule that contains the same requirements as the proposed rule and that is being rescinded in a companion rulemaking, shall extend and apply to the proposed rule so that duplicative waiver proceedings will not be necessary.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: In response to these comments, the commission confirms that waivers previously granted to telecommunications carriers for the requirements of 4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C) will extend to the same requirements in the proposed rule and will thus not result in duplicative waiver proceedings. Accordingly, the commission is modifying the proposed rule by adding a new section at the end of the rule pertaining to this matter.

4 CSR 240-3.545 Filing Requirements for Telecommunications Company Rate Schedules

(36) Waivers regarding compliance with the requirements of this rule granted under previously used rule numbers such as 4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C) will continue in effect unless otherwise ordered by the commission.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240—Public Service Commission

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.550 is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1630–1631). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the issue of waivers previously granted for the requirements of the rule under different rule numbers and on an apparent error in a reference contained in the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule addressed two (2) issues. First, it was requested that the commission confirm in its order of rulemaking that waivers previously granted for 4 CSR 240-32.030(4)(C), a rule that contains the same requirements as the proposed rule and that is being rescinded in a companion rulemaking, shall extend and apply to the proposed rule so that duplicative waiver proceedings will not be necessary. Second, it was noted that an incorrect reference exists in subsection (5)(B) of the rule, as the currently referenced rule is being rescinded and replaced by a new rule.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Regarding the issue of previously granted waivers, the commission confirms that waivers previously granted to telecommunications carriers will extend to the proposed rule and will thus not result in duplicative waiver proceedings. Regarding the incorrect rule reference, the commission notes that the comments are accurate. Based on the above, the commission is modifying subsection (5)(B) of the rule to correct the noted error and is adding a new section to the end of the rule pertaining to the waiver issue.

4 CSR 240-3.550 Telecommunications Company Records and Reports

- (5) Companies shall file the following information with the commission:
- (B) Each company shall have its tariff on file with the commission in accordance with 4 CSR 240-3.545;
- (6) Waivers regarding compliance with the requirements of this rule granted under previously used rule numbers such as 4 CSR 240-32.030(4)(C) will continue in effect unless otherwise ordered by the commission.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.555 Telecommunications Company Residential Customer Inquiries **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1631–1632). No changes have been made in the text of

the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.600 Filing Requirements for Water Utility Applications for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1632). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.605 Filing Requirements for Water Utility Applications for Authority to Sell, Assign, Lease or Transfer Assets is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1632–1633). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.610 Filing Requirements for Water Utility Applications for Authority to Merge or Consolidate is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1633). No changes have been made to the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The commission received written comments from one (1) entity regarding this proposed rule. The comments focused on the use of the term "purchaser" in one (1) section of the rule. The period for receiving written comments on this proposed rule ended on October 16, 2002. The commission held a public hearing on this proposed rule on October 25, 2002, but received no comments regarding the rule at that hearing.

COMMENT: The entity that submitted comments regarding this proposed rule stated the opinion that it is inappropriate for the commission to use the term "purchaser" in this rule, since the rule pertains to utility mergers and consolidations and there is no "purchaser" in such situations.

RESPONSE: The commission notes that the use of the referenced term comes from an existing rule related to this topic, and that in the interest of not making changes that could be considered substantive when comparing the existing rule and this proposed rule, the term "purchaser" was used in the proposed rule. While the commission agrees with the gist of the comments, it continues to be concerned that any changes to the subject language in the proposed rule could be considered substantive. Based on the foregoing, the commission is not making any changes to the proposed rule at this time.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.615 Filing Requirements for Water Utility Applications for Authority to Issue Stock, Bonds, Notes and Other Evidences of Indebtedness is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1633–1634). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.620 Filing Requirements for Water Utility Applications for Authority to Acquire the Stock of a Public Utility is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1634). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 247.172 and 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.625 Filing Requirements for Applications for Approval of Water Service Territorial Agreements is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1634–1635). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 247.172 and 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.630 Schedule of Fees Applicable to Applications for Approval of Water Service Territorial Agreements and Petitions for Designation of Water Service Areas **is adopted**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1635). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.250, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.635 Water Utility Small Company Rate Increase Procedure is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1636). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.640 Annual Report Filing Requirements for Water Utilities is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1636–1637). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 3—Filing and Reporting Requirements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-3.645 Filing Requirements for Water Utility Rate Schedules is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1637–1638). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 10—Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 392.210 and 392.220, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-10.070 Minimum Filing Requirements for General Rate Increase Requests is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1638). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 10—Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 392.210 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-10.080 Annual Report Filing Requirements is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1638–1639). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication of the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 13—Service and Billing Practices for Residential Customers of Electric, Gas and Water Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000 and 393.130, RSMo Supp. 2002, the commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR **240-13.055** Cold Weather Maintenance of Service: Provision of Residential Heat-Related Utility Service During Cold Weather **is amended**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1639). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 14—Utility Promotional Practices

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.040, 386.250, 386.610 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-14.040 Filing of Promotional Practices is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1639–1640). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 20—Electric Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-20.010 Rate Schedules is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1640). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 20—Electric Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-20.030 Uniform System of Accounts—Electrical Corporations is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1640–1641). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 20—Electric Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-20.060 Cogeneration is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1641–1644). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 20—Electric Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.292, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-20.070 Decommissioning Trust Funds is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1644–1645). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240—Public Service Commission

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 20—Electric Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-20.080 Electrical Corporation Reporting Requirements for Certain Events **is rescinded**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1646). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 21—Electric Service Territorial Agreements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 394.312 and 386.800, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-21.010 Schedule of Fees is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1646). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240—Public Service Commission

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 30—Telephone Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 392.220, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-30.010 Rate Schedules is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1646–1647). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 32—Telecommunications Service

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.040, 386.250, 386.310 and 392.200, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-32.030 Records and Reports is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1647). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 33—Service and Billing Practices for Telecommunications Companies

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.040, 386.250 and 392.200, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-33.060 Residential Customer Inquiries is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1647–1648). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 40—Gas Utilities and Gas Safety Standards

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-40.010 Rate Schedules is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1648). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 40—Gas Utilities and Gas Safety Standards

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250 and 393.140, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-40.040 Uniform System of Accounts—Gas Corporations **is amended**.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1648–1649). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 45—Certification of Energy Sellers

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 393.299, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-45.010 Certification of Energy Sellers is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1649–1650). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 50—Water Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-50.010 Rate Schedules is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1650). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 51—Water Service Territorial Agreements

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 247.172, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-51.010 Schedule of Fees is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1650). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 60—Standards of Service by Sewer Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-60.030 Tariff Schedules is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1650–1651). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 80—Steam Heating Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 393.290, RSMo 2000, the commission rescinds a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-80.010 Rate Schedules is rescinded.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1651). No changes have been made in the proposed rescission, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rescission becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: No comments were received.

Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division 240—Public Service Commission Chapter 80—Steam Heating Utilities

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under sections 386.250, 393.140 and 393.290, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-80.020 Uniform System of Accounts—Heating Companies is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on September 16, 2002 (27 MoReg 1651–1652). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication of the *Code of State Regulations*.